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Title

Method of Transmitting Data Between Devices Connected Via a Multi-Master Bus

Defining a Time Slot During Transmission

for Responsive Output Information from

Non-Bus Master Devices

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Remarks:

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Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested

Appellants received a Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed on May 15, 2006 (the "Notice"). The Notice indicated by the checked box in front of item 4, that Appellants' alleged non-compliance related to the section relating to the concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims involved in the appeal. More particularly, further clarification was provided under item 10 of the Notice, which set forth a particular demonstrative example of a properly drafted Summary of Claimed Subject Matter.

As such, Appellants are filing the present Second
Supplemental Appeal Brief, which is believed to be in
compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.37. In Appellants'
Supplemental Appeal Brief, the Summary of the Claimed
Subject Matter section, required under 37 C.F.R. § 41.37

(c) (l) (v), has been amended to comport with the provided
demonstrative example of a properly drafted Summary of
Claimed Subject Matter. Appellants additionally note that
the originally filed Appeal Brief included in the
"Argument" section, ample references to the specification

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and claims showing the support for the limitations for the appealed claims.

It is believed that the Substitute Appeal Brief is proper and addresses all of the issues raised in the Notice. If further information is needed, or the Second Substitute Appeal Brief is deemed to be insufficient in any way, Appellants request that the Examiner please feel free to contact the Appellants' Attorney by telephone to expedite resolution of these issues.

If an extension of time for this paper is required, petition for extension is herewith made.

Please charge any fees that might be due with respect to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to the Deposit Account of Lerner and Greenberg, P.A., No. 12-1099.

Respectfully submitted,

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